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SUBJECT: EXTRADITION: ALLOTEYS

1. AGENTS ARRIVING ACCRA MONDAY JULY 8 ON PAN AM 182. ETA IS 11:10 A.M. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY MEETING AGENTS AND MAKING HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR 3 SINGLES. AGENTS HAVE LEFT RETURN FLIGHT INDEFINITE, HOPEFULLY BEING ABLE TO ARRANGE A FLIGHT WHICH WILL RETURN THEM TO NEW YORK SOMETIME DURING BUSINESS HOURS ON A WEEKDAY NEXT WEEK SO ALLOTEYS CAN BE TAKEN DIRECTLY FROM PLANE TO IMMEDIATE ARRAIGNMENT.

2. ANY RETURN FLIGHT WILL MOST LIKELY HAVE AT LEAST ONE TRANSIT STOP, PROBABLY MONROVIA. WHEN DETAILS OF RETURN FLIGHT ARE SET, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CABLE DETAILS TO DEPARTMENT SO POSTS EN ROUTE CAN BE ALERTED.

3. PROBLEM OF REPATRIATION OF CHILDREN WILL BE ADDRESSED SEPTEL. HOWEVER, JUSTICE DEPT. ADAMANT THAT CHILDREN NOT REPEAT NOT LEAVE ON SAME PLANE WITH PARENTS. AGENTS WILL FORMALLY ARREST AND HANDCUFF PARENTS ON RETURN FLIGHT AND DO NOT WANT CHILDREN INTERFERING IN THEIR CUSTODIAL DUTIES. MOREOVER, IF PLANE MAKES TRANSIT STOPS CHILDREN MIGHT TRY TO URGE PARENTS TO LEAVE PLANE. SINCE U.S. EXTRADITION TREATY WITH LIBERIA HAS NO ARTICLE PROVIDING FOR TRANSIT THROUGH LIBERIA OF PERSON BEING RETURNED IN EXTRADITION

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FROM THIRD COUNTRY, ANY ATTEMPT BY ALLOTEYS TO LEAVE PLANE
AT TRANSIT STOP COULD CREATE PROBLEMS.

4. SINCE DEPT. NOW INTO NEW FISCAL YEAR, EMBASSY SHOULD
CHARGE EXPENSES TO OBLIGATION NO. 500101, APPROPRIATION
193, ALLOTMENT 2034. SISCO

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